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PATENT Attorney Docket No. 401432

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Alfred Wing Kin CHAN

Application No. 09/982,993

Filed: October 22, 2001

For: PIPE FITTINGS

Art Unit: 3679

Examiner: E. Nicholson

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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Sir:									
Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.									
Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.									
Petition for Extension of Time  Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$110.00 (enclosed).  Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.									
No additional claim fee is required.									
☐ Other:									
The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:									
					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE
TOTAL			Minus		=	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$
INDEPENDENT			Minus		=	x 42=	\$	x 84=	\$
☐ FIRST PRES		ENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM				+ 140=	\$	+ 280=	\$
	<u> </u>					TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$
☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$ . A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.  ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.									
<ul> <li>☑ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.</li> <li>☑ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.</li> <li>☑ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</li> </ul>									

Respectfully submitted,

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